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The visitors and family then withdrew, the family followed by the president and cabinet. The senate then, at 1 o'clock, on motion of Senator Lodge adjourned.

The house also adjourned as a further mark of respect to the deceased.

The remains were left at rest in the closed chamber, surrounded by the floral offerings and under a guard of Capitol police.

The remains of Senator Hanna, escorted by the two committees of congress, were taken from the capitol at 5 o'clock to the Pennsylvania station to begin the journey to Cleveland.

## BENCH WARRANTS ISSUED.

Four Men Wanted in Connection With Alleged Land Frauds.

Washington, Feb. 18.—As a result

of the investigation of the alleged wholesale public land frauds in many Western states, the grand jury of the District of Columbia Wednesday re-

ported a joint indictment for conspiracy against John A. Benson, a wealthy real estate operator of San Francisco; Frederick A. Hyde of San Francisco, closely identified with Benson in land affairs; Henry C. Dimond of California, an attorney representing Benson and Hyde, and Joost H. Schneider of Tucson, Ariz., an agent of Benson and Hyde. Bench warrants were immediately issued and Schneider was arrested in this city by Secret Service Agent William J. Burns, who has been quietly investigating alleged public land frauds in a number of Western states.

Schneider was taken before Justice Barnard and the latter fixed his bail at \$20,000.

Schneider has been a witness be-

fore the grand jury in the cases against the other defendants. Benson already had been indicted here on a charge of bribery and is now believed to be in New York, while Hyde is thought to be in San Francisco. The indictment is a voluminous document and sets forth a number of transactions by which land is alleged to have been fraudulently acquired from the government in California, Oregon, Washington, Nevada and elsewhere. Most of these transactions are alleged to have occurred under the leni land law.

## REPUTED WITH HEAVY LOSS.

Turks Attack Strong Position Held by Albanians.

Constantinople, Feb. 18.—Sixteen thousand Albanians are in revolt in the district of Diakova against the reform plans of the powers for Macedonia and obnoxious taxes. In conflicts which have taken place between Albanians and Ottoman troops the latter were worsted. Large reinforcements have been dispatched to Diakova. The Albanians attacked the town of Diakova Feb. 13 and plundered and burned a number of houses. Turkish forces subsequently attacked the insurgents' main position at Bajapoli, but were repulsed with heavy loss. Feverish activity continues among the Turkish authorities on the Bulgarian frontier accumulating stores and repairing roads for the expected massing of troops.

## Casket Borne by Policemen.

The casket was borne into the chamber by a squad of Capitol police, headed by Sergeant-at-Arms Ransel of the senate, and was immediately followed by the official committee, with Senator Foraker and General Grosvenor at its head. Slowly the little procession moved down the main aisle of the chamber and the casket was tenderly placed upon the catafalque which was to hold it.

The hall was banked with flowers which had been sent by friends.

Senator Frye, as president pro tempore, stood in front of his chair as the body was borne to its resting place.

All the people in the galleries rose as if with one impulse as the casket was borne to its place. The pallbearers had scarcely retired when the senate was called to order and the senators took their seats on the fall of the gavel of the president pro tem.

Immediately afterward the house of representatives, with Speaker Cannon at its head, was announced and the members of that body filed slowly in, taking the seats previously assigned to them, the senators and visitors in the galleries rising.

Speaker Cannon took his place at the left of President Pro Tem. Frye.

Then came the ambassadors and ministers from foreign countries, who were given the seats next to the front row on the Republican side of the chamber, and they were immediately followed by Admiral Dewey and Major General Gillespie, representing the navy and army. The chief justice and associate justices of the supreme court were ushered into seats on the Democratic side.

President Roosevelt and members of his cabinet were then announced and all present rose without waiting for the tap of the gavel.

Twenty minutes later Mrs. Hanna, leaning heavily upon the arm of her son, entered the chamber and took a seat in the front row on the left of the presiding officers. Everyone present

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Americans Would Fight for Russia.

Washington, Feb. 18.—The Russian embassy is flooded with offers of assistance from Americans in various walks of life. Letters from twelve persons arrived Wednesday. The offers are declined as Russia, Ambassador Cassini says, does not stand in need of medical or military aid.

Missionaries Not molested.

New York, Feb. 18.—All the Presbyterian missionaries in Korea are reported as unmolested in a cable from Seoul by Rev. Arthur Judson Brown, secretary of the Presbyterian board of foreign missions.

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Cleveland, O., Feb. 18.—In accordance with the wishes of the Hanna family, it has been decided that no remarks of a eulogistic nature shall be made in St. Paul's church at the funeral services over the body of Senator Hanna on Friday. The service will consist only of ritualistic services of the Episcopal church.

A memorial meeting however, will be held at the Chamber of Commerce Saturday morning when prominent citizens will deliver addresses on the life and work of the decedent.

All business will be suspended in Cleveland for the greater part of Friday. All street cars will become motionless for five minutes at 1 o'clock, the hour set for the beginning of the funeral services at St. Paul's church.

It was decided by the local committee of arrangements for laying in state ceremonies to open the auditorium of the Chamber of Commerce at 6 o'clock for the convenience of workingmen.

Business will be suspended in all Ohio towns Friday afternoon in accordance with Governor Herrick's proclamation.

PUBLISHERS IN SESSION.

Devote Their Time to Discussion of Labor Problems.

New York, Feb. 18.—Newspaper publishers who are attending the eighteenth annual convention of their association at the Waldorf-Astoria, devoted Wednesday to a discussion of labor problems and wages. Representative publishers from many cities told of increasing demands of the various unions and of the steps taken to avoid conflicts. It was suggested that the present union rules regarding apprentices have a tendency, not only to limit the supply or printers, but to drive men of intelligence to other trades.

Frederick Driscoll, representing the Publishers' association on labor matters, presented his report telling of the many disputes which had been arbitrated during the year. A. A. McCormick, chairman of the committee on labor, told of the work of his committee.

NATIONALIZATION FRAUDS.

Believed to Have Been Perpetrated by Wholesale in Montana.

New York, Feb. 18.—Statements of Giovanni Morelli, an Italian miner of Butte, Mont., who was stopped by the immigration officers on his return from a visit to Italy, indicate, it is said, wholesale naturalization frauds in Montana. Morelli was found to be suffering from a valvular disease of the heart and was ordered deported. He produced his American citizenship papers, issued by the county court at Butte, Mont., but admitted that he first came to America only three years ago. He said that he did not know about the residence qualification and that hundreds of Italian miners in Butte, like him, had secured tall citizenship papers without residing in the United States the necessary length of time. He was arrested for having fraudulent naturalization papers.

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The house also adjourned as a further mark of respect to the deceased.

The remains were left at rest in the closed chamber, surrounded by the floral offerings and under a guard of Capitol police.

The remains of Senator Hanna, escorted by the two committees of congress, were taken from the capitol at 5 o'clock to the Pennsylvania station to begin the journey to Cleveland.

BENCH WARRANTS ISSUED.

Four Men Wanted in Connection With Alleged Land Frauds.

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### TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Woman suffragists closed their convention in Washington Wednesday night.

The Minor Firebrick plant at Toronto, O., was destroyed by fire Wednesday. Loss, \$70,000.

At St. Paul Mrs. Anna Drake, twenty-two years old, committed suicide by drinking two ounces of laudanum.

Tom Jenkins of Cleveland defeated Hjalmar Lundin of Sweden Wednesday night in Brooklyn, in a mixed wrestling match, winning the first and third falls.

Rear Admiral Chadwick has been ordered to take command of the European squadron of the United States navy, relieving Admiral Cotton, who has retired.

Mrs. Margaret Hossack, once sentenced for life for murder of her husband at Winterset, Ia., has been set free, the state deciding it could not again convict her after the third jury disagreed.

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OFF PORT ARTHUR.

CLAIMS CONTROL ON WATER  
ISLAND EMPIRE MAINTAINS THAT  
RUSSIA'S NAVY IS OUT OF  
THE WAR GAME.

Sasebo, Japan, Feb. 18.—The opinion of Japanese naval officers here is that a third fight has occurred off Port Arthur, some of the Russian war vessels having been reported as leaving that place.

Japan now claims to have put twenty-two Russian vessels out of action since the war began and virtually controls the sea.

The Port Arthur and Chefoo cable was cut Wednesday.

No extensive land operations nor heavy fighting is liable to occur before early spring or until it becomes warmer.

JAPANESE TROOPS EMBARKING.

Transports at Nagasaki, Moji and Kobe Taking Soldiers on Board.

London, Feb. 18.—Dispatches published in London newspapers continue to give descriptions of the embarkation of Japanese troops.

Instead of embarking secretly from Ujina, as was the case during the Chino-Japanese war, the transports, according to dispatches published in the Daily Telegraph and the Daily Mail, are openly embarking troops from Nagasaki, Moji, Kobe and elsewhere.

A cable to the Daily Telegraph from Nagasaki says troops are clearing every night for Korea, and ten large steamers were embarking troops at Nagasaki last Monday. All arms of the service were represented, but the cavalry horses were such sorry and scrubby ponies that they hardly seemed worth transporting. The embarkations are all remarkably well managed. Numerous shallow harbor boats, as well as ordinary boats suitable for rowing or towing in shallow water, or through a heavy surf, are taken on the transports. In conclusion, this correspondent says the harbor of Nagasaki has been mined.

Cabling from Shanghai under date of Feb. 17, a correspondent of the Daily Telegraph declares that a combined movement between a Japanese fleet and a large landing force from Nagasaki is now proceeding.

The reports that the Japanese have captured the East Asiatic company's steamer Manchuria, as well as the Siberian railway's steamer of the same name, are confirmed.

POINTS TO BIG NAVAL BATTLE.

Junks Bearing Japanese Wounded Arrive at Chefoo.

London, Feb. 18.—The correspondent at Chefoo of the Paris edition of the New York Herald, in a dispatch in which he reports the arrival of junks bearing Japanese wounded from the Port Arthur engagement of Feb. 14, holds this to show that something more than a torpedo attack took place.

The correspondent at Tokio of the Standard reports that two battleships were destroyed in the attack of Feb. 14, while the correspondent at Tientsin of the Standard says, under date of Feb. 17, that a private dispatch from Port Arthur brings the statement that the Russian squadron has again put to sea.

Three thousand troops are said to be crossing Lake Baikal every day.

A telegram has been received from Irkutsk, Siberia dated Feb. 17, saying that the first detachment of Russian troops has started from Irkutsk for Port Arthur.

Japan is successfully keeping her plans secret. Not a single item of news, which could be of possible service to the enemy, has been permitted

to transpire, but it is believed here that her main objective is the Liaotung peninsula.

RUSSIAN VESSELS TORPEDOED.  
Japs Make Another Successful Attack  
on Port Arthur Fleet.

Chicago, Feb. 18.—Confirmation of the report that two Russian warships were torpedoed in an attack of Japanese torpedo boats on the Russian fleet at Port Arthur on Feb. 14, has been received by Shieizaburo Shimizu, Japanese consul in Chicago. The message, briefly describing the engagement, came from the government in Tokyo and reads as follows:

"The first fleet of torpedo destroyers left for Port Arthur on Feb. 13, in spite of a heavy storm of wind and snow. At 3 o'clock on the morning of Feb. 14, the fleet attacked the Russian ships, and received a return fire. In spite of this return fire, the destroyer Asakiri torpedoed a Russian man-of-war and escaped uninjured. At 5 o'clock the same morning another destroyer, Hayatori, went close to the entrance of the port where two Russian warships were stationed. One of the warships was torpedoed and a safe return was made."

BOYARIN WAS TORPEDOED.  
Japs Believe Russian Cruiser Was Victim of Their Destroyer.

Tokio, Feb. 18.—It is the belief of the navy department that the Russian second class cruiser Boyarin was torpedoed and sunk by the destroyer Hayatori in the torpedo attack on the Russian fleet at Port Arthur last Sunday morning. Lieutenant Commander Tokonouchi did not know the name of the vessel struck by a torpedo discharged by the Hayatori but the navy department has since learned from other sources that it was the Boyarin.

A dispatch from St. Petersburg, dated Feb. 16, said that the Boyarin was blown up with a loss of 197 officers and men on Feb. 13, by a mine which it accidentally struck.

RUSSIA CAN AFFORD TO WAIT.

Believes When She Is Ready to Fight  
She Will Crush Japan.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 18.—The rigid censorship imposed on all news from the far East masks the movements of Russian troops and the plans of those in command; but, what is doing is evidently satisfactory to the authorities, as they manifest the utmost confidence that when the proper time arrives the enemy will be crushed. They say that the preliminary sea victories of the Japanese will then be speedily forgotten.

Russia was taken unawares at the outset, and some little time will be required to complete the mobilization of Russian troops. There will be no disposition to meet the evident wish of the Japanese to rush matters to a decision.

"Russia can afford to wait" is a common expression. Moreover, the excessively severe weather at the scene of the war, it is averred, also fights on the side of the czar's legions as it did in the days of Napoleon, when the Russian proverb, "January, February and March are among the emperor's ablest generals," was coined.

At Port Arthur Wednesday it was two degrees below zero. The concentration of Russian troops will proceed as rapidly as possible, but it is fair to assume that Viceroy Alexieff will not take the aggressive until he feels certain of his ability to administer a decisive defeat. Therefore, in spite of the extensive landing operations of the Japanese in Korea, an important land fight is not thought to be imminent, although it is believed that the passage of the Yalu river by the Japanese will be disputed.

The report of a massacre of Jews near Kieff is denied by the minister of the interior, who says the affair was confined to the infliction of slight injury on three Jews who began shouting "Down with the czar."

JAPS ARE ORGANIZING BANDITS.

Will Instruct Chinese Outlaws in Art of Blowing Up Railroads.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 18.—A dispatch has been received from Major General Pflug, chief of staff to Viceroy Alexieff, saying that Yuan Sha Kai, commander-in-chief of the Chinese army and navy, has ordered 2,500 men to Tsichou to maintain order. Continuing, he says everything is quiet at Newchwang and that the information that the Japanese are forming bands of bandits to attack the railroads is confirmed. Quiet prevails on the Yalu river. Russian scouts did not find the enemy within a distance of thirty-four miles from the river.

A government communication published in the Official Messenger warns the public that it must wait patiently for news of Russian victories, and says it is useless to waste men in seeking an overhasty revenge.

It is reported in St. Petersburg that Viceroy Alexieff's headquarters may be changed to Mukden, which would be nearer the center of military activity, but this is not certain. In the meantime troops are constantly going to the front from all parts of Russia, and some distinguished officers in the service of the czar are leaving for the far East. These include General Zhalinski, who is to succeed Major General Pflug as chief of staff to Viceroy Alexieff, Generals Liapanoff and Tserpiysky. General von Sosonkampf has been appointed to command the Trans-Siberian cavalry, which was reported as going out under Prince Louis Napoléon.

From private and public sources the government received \$271,000 Wednesday for munitions of war.

MAY LAND MARINES.

Commander Staunton Says Conditions at Newchwang Are Disturbed.

Washington, Feb. 18.—Rear Admiral

Evans, commanding the Asiatic station, has transmitted to the navy department a cable dispatch from Commander Staunton of the gunboat Helena, now in mud dock at Newchwang, China, in which he says that conditions there are greatly disturbed and that he is investigating the report that the Russian officers have delayed certain American and British merchantmen.

If the American consulate is endangered, it is said that Commander Staunton will land bluejackets and marines for the protection of Consul Miller. There is every wish on the part of the government not to give the slightest cause for complaint by either Russia or Japan of intervention, but the unalterable American policy of protecting American interests at all hazards will be adhered to.

NEUTRALIZATION OF CHINA.

Japan Agrees to Hay's Note With Manchuria Excepted.

Tokio, Feb. 18.—It is said on high authority that the Japanese government, in responding through United States Minister Griscom to Secretary Hay's note, agrees to the neutralization of China, excluding Manchuria, which Russia is now occupying. Japan, it is also said, reserves the right to counterbalance any action of Russia in violating China's neutrality.

The emperor, the supreme council of war, the privy council, and a majority of the cabinet will probably depart on Feb. 20 for Kyoto, where it is planned temporarily to establish imperial headquarters. Later the emperor and councillors may go to Hiroshima, where the emperor will personally watch the embarkation of troops.

Americans Would Fight for Russia.

Washington, Feb. 18.—The Russian embassy is flooded with offers of assistance from Americans in various walks of life. Letters from twelve persons arrived Wednesday. The offerors are declined as Russia, Ambassador Cassini says, does not stand in need of medical or military aid.

Missionaries Not molested.

New York, Feb. 18.—All the Presbyterians missionaries in Korea are reported as unmolested in a cable from Seoul by Rev. Arthur Judson Brown, secretary of the Presbyterian board of foreign missions.

Cable Interrupted.

San Francisco, Feb. 18.—The Commercial Pacific Cable company is advised from Hongkong that the Port Arthur cable is interrupted.

SERVICES AT CLEVELAND.

Will Be Simple in Character and No Eulogies Will Be Pronounced.

Cleveland, O., Feb. 18.—In accordance with the wishes of the Hanna family, it has been decided that no remarks of a eulogistic nature shall be made in St. Paul's church at the funeral services over the body of Senator Hanna on Friday. The service will consist only of ritualistic services of the Episcopal church.

A memorial meeting however, will be held at the Chamber of Commerce Saturday morning when prominent citizens will deliver addresses on the life and work of the deceased.

All business will be suspended in Cleveland for the greater part of Friday. All street cars will become motionless for five minutes at 1 o'clock, the hour set for the beginning of the funeral services at St. Paul's church.

It was decided by the local committee of arrangements for laying in state ceremonies to open the auditorium of the Chamber of Commerce at 6 o'clock for the convenience of workingmen.

Business will be suspended in Ohio towns Friday afternoon in accordance with Governor Herrick's proclamation.

PUBLISHERS IN SESSION.

Devote Their Time to Discussion of Labor Problems.

New York, Feb. 18.—Newspaper publishers who are attending the eighteenth annual convention of their association at the Waldorf-Astoria, devoted Wednesday to a discussion of labor problems and wages. Representative publishers from many cities told of increasing demands of the various unions and of the steps taken to avoid conflicts. It was suggested that the present union rules regarding apprentices have a tendency, not only to limit the supply of printers, but to drive men of intelligence to other trades.

Frederick Driscoll, representing the Publishers' association on labor matters, presented his report telling of the many disputes which had been arbitrated during the year. A. A. McCormick, chairman of the committee on labor, told of the work of his committee.

NATIONALIZATION FRAUDS.

Believed to Have Been Perpetrated by Wholesale in Montana.

New York, Feb. 18.—Statements of Giovanni Morrelli, an Italian miner of Butte, Mont., who was stopped by the immigration officers on his return from a visit to Italy, indicate, it is said, wholesale nationalization frauds in Montana. Morrelli was found to be suffering from a valvular disease of the heart and was ordered deported. He produced his American citizenship papers, issued by the county court at Butte, Mont., but admitted that he first came to America only three years ago. He said that he did not know about the residence qualification and that hundreds of Italian miners in Butte, like him, had secured full citizenship papers without residing in the United States the necessary length of time. He was arrested for having fraudulent naturalization papers.

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Schneider was taken before Justice Barnard and the latter fixed his bail at \$20,000.

Schneider has been a witness before the grand jury in the cases against the other defendants. Benson already had been indicted here on a charge of bribery and is now believed to be in New York, while Hyde is thought to be in San Francisco. The indictment is a voluminous document and sets forth a number of transactions by which land is alleged to have been fraudulently acquired from the government in California, Washington, Nevada and elsewhere. Most of these transactions are alleged to have occurred under the lien land law.

REPULSED WITH HEAVY LOSS.

Turks Attack Strong Position Held by Albanians.

Constantinople, Feb. 18.—Sixteen thousand Albanians are in revolt in the district of Diakova against the reform plans of the powers for Macedonia and obnoxious taxes. In conflicts which have taken place between Albanians and Ottoman troops the latter were worsted. Large reinforcements have been dispatched to Diakova. The Albanians attacked the town of Diakova Feb. 13 and plundered and burned a number of houses. Turkish forces subsequently attacked the insurgents' main position at Babajposi, but were repulsed with heavy loss. Feversh activity continues among the Turkish authorities on the Bulgarian frontier accumulating stores and repairing roads for the expected massing of troops.

Measles on the Maine.

Washington, Feb. 18.—Measles is the latest mishap to befall the Maine, which has been ordered to Guantanamo in order that the afflicted members of her crew may be isolated. The disease has not yet become epidemic among the crew, fewer than twenty-five having measles.

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## Weather

Forecast—Probably snow tonight and Friday.

Temperature (Record kept by Dr. J. L. Camp from 7 a. m. yesterday morning to 7 a. m. this morning)—Maximum 10 above zero; minimum 3 below zero.



## Republican District Convention.

A Republican convention for the Sixth congressional district of Minnesota will be held at the court house in the city of Little Falls, Minn., on Wednesday, March 16, 1904, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing two delegates and two alternates to represent said district in the Republican national convention to be held in Chicago on June 21, 1904.

Representation in this District Convention will be made upon the following basis: Each county shall be entitled to one delegate for each two hundred and fifty votes, or major fraction thereof, cast for the Republican candidate for president in the year 1900, in such county, and each county shall be allowed in addition thereto, five delegates at large.

The counties of the district will be entitled to the following delegates in the convention:

Benton	8	Sherburne	9
Cass	9	Stearns	15
Crow Wing	12	Todd	14
Douglas	13	Wadena	9
Hubbard	9	Wright	14
Meeker	13	Total	138
Morrison	13		

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W. M. FULLER, Chairman.  
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**A. L. Hoffman & Co.**

President G. D. LaBar, of the First National, left today for the twin cities on business.

A baby boy has been born to Mr. and Mrs. George Herden, and George is stepping like a two-year old.

Mrs. A. D. Morgan and daughter have been guests of Mrs. L. J. Cale for a few days, returning to their home in Minneapolis today. Mrs. Morgan is a niece of Mrs. Cale.

One of Graham Bros. teams took a spin down Front street this afternoon, throwing the occupants of the cutter out and cutting up some rather frisky didoes. Very little damage was done and no one was hurt.

Seth Phillips was in the city a day or two ago and he tells of having seen a big flock of mallard ducks flying up Gull river on one of the coldest days of the winter. He says, and in fact all sportsmen will agree with him, that this something very unusual and cannot well be accounted for.

## Black Hawk Club.

The "Black Hawks" held their regular meeting last night at the home of Dr. A. F. Groves. The program of the evening consisted of a debate, the subject of which was, resolved, "That Japan declare war on Russia." The affirmative was maintained by H. W. Isham and Harold Smith, and the negative by C. A. Albright and Dr. K. H. Horn.

The critic, F. X. Adleman, decided the debate in favor of the affirmative, and also reviewed the evening's program in an intelligent and comprehensive manner. The debate was followed by a declamation by J. Ralph Nevers, and the club members were entertained at lunch by Dr. A. F. Groves.

The different events arranged for by the Club will be of a varied nature, social and literary evenings being given alternately, and on next Thursday evening, Feb. 25, the gentlemen and their lady friends will be guests at the beautiful home of Dr. and Mrs. Beise.

## Hunter's Hot Springs.

It is not necessary for residents of the northwest to go to the south and east for hot water pleasure and curative baths.

Near Springdale, Mont., on the Northern Pacific, are Hunter's Hot Springs, temperature 148 degrees to 168 degrees Fahr., flowing 2000 gallons per minute, 4000 feet above the sea in the foothills of the Crazy mountains, overlooking the Yellowstone river and valley. Good hotels, cottages, bath houses, swimming pool. Rates \$2.50 per day, \$15.00 per week, including baths.

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For information write J. E. McCormick, Hunter's Hot Springs, Mont., or Chas. S. Fee, C. P. & T. A. Northern Pacific Ry., St. Paul, Minn.

## THE MARKETS.

The following range of prices on the Minneapolis market today is furnished by Edwards, Wood & Co.:

Wheat—	May	July
Opening.....	96 $\frac{1}{2}$	96 $\frac{1}{2}$
Highest.....	98 $\frac{1}{2}$	97 $\frac{1}{2}$
Lowest.....	96	95 $\frac{1}{2}$
Closing.....	98	97 $\frac{1}{2}$

The Chicago closing prices are as follows:

May wheat.....	\$0	.99 $\frac{1}{2}$
July ".....	"	.90
May Corn.....	.55 $\frac{1}{2}$	
July ".....	.53 $\frac{1}{2}$	
May Oats.....	.44	
July ".....	.39 $\frac{1}{2}$	
May Pork.....	15.15	
July Pork.....	14.97	

The following are the cash closing prices on the Minneapolis market:

No. 1 Hard.....	\$	.99 $\frac{1}{2}$
No. 1 Northern.....		.98 $\frac{1}{2}$
No. 2 Northern.....		.95 $\frac{1}{2}$
No. 3 Yellow Corn.....		.44
No. 3 Corn.....		.43 $\frac{1}{2}$
No. 4 Corn.....		.43 to .44
No. 3 White Oats.....		.40 $\frac{1}{2}$
No. 3 Oats.....		.38 to .39 $\frac{1}{2}$
No. 2 Rye.....		.66
Barley.....		.38 to .53
Flax to arrive.....		1.14 $\frac{1}{2}$

## The Man in the Moon.

Probably even in prehistoric times men have noticed the face of the "man in the moon." Plutarch noticed it and even wrote a whole book about the face in the moon. But, besides this, many other objects are supposed to be visible. The dark markings on the surface are likened by the Chinese to a monkey pounding rice. In India they are said to resemble a rabbit. To the Persians they seem like the earth's oceans and continents reflected in a mirror.

## Americans on Guard.

There is no record that any such order as "Put none but Americans on guard" was issued by Washington. Those who quote it do not know when it was supposed to have been issued. But it is a fact that on April 30, 1777, in an order issued at Morristown, N. J., for reorganizing the improperly called "Washington's bodyguard" he did say that he thought that men having an interest in the country would be less likely to prove traitors than foreigners. The order continued, "You will, therefore, send me none but Americans." Washington directed that this preference for Americans should not be made known, as he feared it might excite the many foreigners in the army.—Ex-change.

## CROW WING ITEMS.

Claude Hennessy is on the sick list.

Mrs. J. J. Hennessy has returned from Brainerd where she has been visiting her cousin.

Grandma Root has been called to Crow Wing to attend Claude Hennessy.

J. W. Porter made a business trip to Green Prairie one day this week.

Miss Minnie Jones is expected back to Crow Wing this week to work for Mrs. E. L. Guinn.

Ole Paulson has moved all his furniture to the old Altman place where he will reside in the future.

William Lovely has received some records from the Carlson & Cooper Co., by whom he is employed.

Mr. F. N. Burrall went to Brainerd on business for the New York Life Insurance Co. this week, returning on Saturday.

Miss Victoria Bush and Miss Alice Leighton spent a few pleasant hours at Mrs. C. Benson's last Sunday afternoon.

County Superintendent Wilson visited at Mr. Burrall's Thursday evening, returning to Brainerd Friday. All were glad to see his interest in the schools demonstrated by his presence at the spelling match in school No. 1.

Members of the Clute school, No. 8, and Crow Wing school, No. 1, accepted Mr. Burrall's kind invitation to participate in an old fashioned spelling match at the school house Feb. 11. Mr. Wilson was present and conducted the match which was witnessed with interest by a large number of visitors. During the first part of the evening a general spelling school was held in which all were invited to take part. No one was "spelled down" as the last two retired on the same word, of four letters.

The rest of the evening was spent in a match between six members on a side from each school. The schools were very evenly matched, Crow Wing finally winning by two words. The match was notable for the good feeling evinced on both sides and all seemed much interested and desirous of meeting again in the near future.

Julius Deering witnessed the results of a runaway which occurred to him and two other young gentlemen near Crow Wing. The horses were frightened at the top of a logging hill and ran to the bottom striking an oak tree throwing Mr. Deering fully 20 feet into the willows and snow. The horses were badly injured and the sled was brought to town for repairs. None of the party were seriously injured.

A jolly evening was spent last Tuesday at Edward Wrantz's consisting of games and ended with a social whirl. Music was furnished by Julius Deering and Edward Wratz.

## FLAK NEWS.

Fred Johnson, who has been sick for some time, is improving.

Miss Susie Shew is home for a few days' visit with her parents.

Miss Daisy and Irene Cain were visitors at J. E. Rodereck's last week.

Earl Swisher has been staying with his uncle, J. B. Swisher, the past few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Garrison are enjoying a visit from their son-in-law and family, of Bingham Lake.

There was a dance at Andrew Olson's last Tuesday night. The crowd was rather small, but from all reports the evening was pleasantly spent.

## SNOWBALL.

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## ARE GRINDING PULPWOOD HERE

For Grand Rapids Mills, the Water Power There Having Been Somewhat Depleted

### THEY NOW CLAIM A REMEDY

Work of Repairing Dam there by Government Will not Interfere with Power.

There has been considerable trouble of late with the water power at Grand Rapids and mills of the Northwest Paper company at that point have been greatly hampered in trying to turn out pulp. The wood has been brought to the mills here in Brainerd, ground up and re-shipped to Grand Rapids. This entailed an extra expenditure which the paper company is said not to have relished very much and there was talk of moving the entire plant to Brainerd.

The Grand Rapids people evidently think there is a remedy now, according to the following dispatch to the Duluth News Tribune from that place:

"Word has been received in Grand Rapids that Major Derby, in charge of this engineer district of the United States war department, has consented to a plan whereby the water power of the Itasca Paper company at this point will not be interfered with by the repairs which are being made under government supervision. The request for more water to operate the pulpwood grinders of the mill was made several weeks ago and for a time the result was in doubt. It is now stated that sufficient water will be turned on to allow of the resumption of full operations at the grinding plant. During the interim of lack of water power the paper mill has been obliged to ship pulpwood to Brainerd where it was ground and then re-shipped to this point. Such a method was expensive and at one time it was announced the company contemplated moving the industry to some other town. With the assurance of plenty of water power the people of Grand Rapids feel certain the mill will be kept here."

### Mysterious Circumstance.

One was pale and sallow and the other fresh and rosy. Whence the difference? She who is blushing with health uses Dr. King's New Life Pills to maintain it. By gently arousing the lazy organs they compel good digestion and head off constipation. Try them. Only 25c. at H. P. Dunn & Co., druggists.

### REMAINS PASS THROUGH.

L. J. Martin, the Dead N. P. Agent of Perham, Will be Buried at Kansas City, Mo.

This afternoon the remains of L. J. Martin, the Northern Pacific agent at Perham, who killed himself in a Chicago hotel, passed through the city en route to Kansas City, Mo., where they will be interred. They were accompanied by Mrs. Martin and her three children. The remains were returned to Perham from Chicago yesterday morning.

### Escaped an Awful Fate.

Mr. H. Higgins of Melbourne, Fla., writes, "My doctor told me I had Consumption and nothing could be done for me. I was given up to die. The offer of a free trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, induced me to try it. Results were startling. I am now on the road to recovery and owe all to Dr. King's New Discovery. It surely saved my life." This great cure is guaranteed for all throat and lung diseases by H. P. Dunn & Co., Druggists. Price 50c & \$1.00. Trial Bottle free.

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### JUDGE SANBORN HONORED.

Elected One of the Grand Lodge Officers at the A. O. U. W. Grand Lodge

#### Session at St. Paul.

F. H. White, of Duluth, was elected past grand master workman yesterday afternoon by the grand lodge A. O. U. W. W. B. Anderson, Winona, was made grand master workman; M. C. Tift, Long Prairie, grand foreman; J. T. Sanborn, Brainerd, grand guide; P. A. Nelson, Red Wing, grand inside watchman. All these were promotions in regular course. The grand recorder, Charles E. Larson, of St. Paul, was re-elected. In place of J. J. McCarty, St. Paul, removed to Washington, J. F. McGuire, St. Paul, was chosen grand receiver. Other officers will be selected at the closing session today.

#### Nearly Forfeits His Life.

A runaway almost ending fatally started a horrible ulcer on the leg of J. B. Orner, Franklin Grove, Ill. For four years it defied all doctors and all remedies. But Bucklen's Arnica Salve had no trouble to cure him. Equally good for burns, bruises; skin eruptions and piles. 25c at H. P. Dunn & Co.'s drug store.

#### An Explanation.

Referring to the article first published in the Brainerd DISPATCH and afterwards copied by the Aitkin Age and Republican, relating to the case of Fred Eimer vs Chas. Wellsand, and Evangelical Lutheran St. John's congregation of Billings, Mr. Eimer wishes to state, in view of the one sided statement of the facts as given by THE DISPATCH, that when he purchased the Gerdau place at the foreclosure sale in January, 1901, he was given certificates conveying a full 160 acres of land, no more, no less. The mortgage given by Gerdau was for 160 acres of land, thus showing that at that time Gerdau had not ratified the alleged contract of Belter. There was absolutely nothing said in any of the papers of title about a sale, transfer or even reservation of two acres of the 160 for church or any other purpose. At the sale a number of the church people, including Mr. Wellsand himself, offered bids on the property and forced the price up to \$925, the price Mr. Eimer had to pay for it. The church parsonage is the only inhabitable building on the 160 and as such a building is a necessity on a farm. Mr. Eimer is not disposed to give it up.

Mr. Eimer wishes to state further that after the foreclosure sale he offered to deed the two acres to the church for \$50, but that they refused the offer, and one thing led to another and finally the action of ejection. They are welcome at any time to the church building and graveyard, but the parsonage is needed for farm purposes.

The article in the DISPATCH also assumes that there was a written contract from Belter, the original entrant; that it was ratified by August Gerdau and hence Eimer had no rights there. The facts are that at the hearing they had no written contract and hence claimed that it had been lost and they wanted to prove its contents by oral evidence. Gerdau is now dead and statements made by him as to ratification differ widely from what the DISPATCH printed.

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### BEFORE RAILROAD COMMISSION

Ask for Concession in Passenger Rate to Twin Cities by Way of Carlton.

Capt. Teare, of Aitkin, was in the city this afternoon having returned from St. Paul where he has been to attend a meeting of the state railroad and warehouse commission. He went as a representative of the people of Aitkin who are trying to secure concessions from the N. P. on passenger rates between that place and the twin cities via Carlton.

They would like to secure the same rate via Carlton that is charged for fares to the twin cities via Brainerd and Staples, which is \$4.65. The fare by the way of Carlton is about \$1 more.

They figure that if this rate is secured that most of the travel to the twin cities would be by the way of Carlton, as it would be much more convenient for them. For instance they could leave St. Paul in the afternoon about 2 o'clock and arrive at Aitkin by 11 o'clock at night, while if they are obliged to come by the way of Brainerd and Staples they would not get home until 5 o'clock the next morning. The commission took no action on the matter yesterday.

It's a mistake to imagine that itching piles can't be cured; a mistake to suffer a day longer than you can help. Doan's Ointment brings instant relief and permanent cure. At any drug store, 50 cents.

#### Voting Machine Impossible.

Eastern owners of a voting machine, who have been trying to induce the council to adopt machine voting, gave up today and removed their sample machine from the council chamber where it has been on exhibition the past two months.

There is a state law that permits the adoption of voting machines by municipalities, but it has been found to be of no value because of a clause which practically negatives the whole measure.

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### MUSIC AND DRAMA.

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Opening Chorus, "Carry Me Back to Old Virginia"....Elk Minstrels Introductory Overture, "Dixie Land"....Elks' Brass Band Quartette, "My Japanese Baby"....Introducing the Four Comedians "When the Blue Sky turns to Gold"....Frank McCarthy "Up in the Cocoanut Tree"....A. L. Mattes "A Stein Song"....E. C. Griffith "Why Don't You Go?"....C. E. Wilson "The song We Used to Sing"....Alex Manderson "My Octocean Lady"....Gene McCarthy "The Windings of the Yarn"....Jo Murphy "Eat Drink and Be Merry"....S. F. Alderman Finale, "America"....Elks' Band and Company

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Place and Date of Iowa Republican  
Convention.

Des Moines, May 18.

Force of Turkish Troops Besieged by  
Twenty Thousand Albanians.

Salonica, Macedonia, Feb. 18.—Selim Pasha, with 2,500 Turkish troops and three guns, is reported to be besieged by 20,000 Albanians at Bajposi, between Diakova and Ipek. The Turks are said to be without food and water and to have already lost 100 men. Strong reinforcements under Upakhan Pasha are hurrying to the relief of Selim Pasha.

WAR IN THE BALKANS.

As like affects like, so it is with millions, and gold will go where gold is.

This is strikingly illustrated by the act of a celebrated Greek, one Diphous Diphous, a descendant of the Byzantine emperors. This man, by the exercise of extreme niggardliness, managed to amass the sum of \$50,000, an immense fortune in those days. Then came the question to whom should he leave it. One day a distant relative sent him a letter written upon a square inch of paper. This was sufficient. In the fitness of things the parsimonious correspondent became the miser's heir.

Addendum.

Kwoter—He thinks he's still youthful. Well, you know the old saying.

"There's no fool like an old fool."

Newitt—Yes, and when an old fool dyes his whiskers there's nobody fooled but the old fool—Philadelphia Press.

He who thinks for himself and rarely imitates is a free man—Klopstock.

## FIRES ON INSURGENTS

AMERICAN WARSHIP BOMBARDS  
THE DOMINICAN REBELS  
AT PAJARITO.

VESSEL LANDS BLUEJACKETS  
BUT LATER THE LANDING PARTY  
IS TAKEN BACK ON BOARD  
THE WARSHIP.

San Juan, P. R., Feb. 18.—A private message has been received from San Domingo city, dated Feb. 17, saying that an American warship bombarded the insurgents at Pajarito, near San Domingo, and then landed marines. These men, however, subsequently reembarked.

Washington, Feb. 18.—The landing of marines at Pajarito, near San Domingo, by an American warship, no doubt was authorized by the commanding officer as result of some menace to American interests in that region. The cruiser Columbia is now at or near San Domingo and the marines landed presumably were from that vessel. Her commanding officer is Captain J. M. Miller. The unsettled condition of affairs of San Domingo, bordering in many places on anarchy, with its consequent menace to American interests, has been a source of considerable irritation to the administration and Admiral Wise, senior naval officer in those waters, has been given large discretionary powers to deal with the situation.

SEES PROSPECTS OF SUCCESS.

Mr. Cleveland Urges Democrats to  
Take Advantage of Opportunities.

Philadelphia, Feb. 18.—In an article written for the Saturday Evening Post, Former President Cleveland urges his "rank and file associates" of the Democratic party to vote and take advantage of the opportunities of next November, in which he sees prospects of Democratic success.

Mr. Cleveland urges tariff reform, pleads for economy in the expediture of public money and charges the opposition with having made promises and broken them. He arraigns the administration's Philippine policy and its course during the Panama revolt.

Mr. Cleveland concludes with the statement that the Democratic party should not undertake the battle of the people except under a leader that represents its best traditions and purposes and fully realizes the great issues of the conflict, and says this leader's selection should not depend upon locality.

SEVERAL PERSONS WOUNDED.

Carnival Festivities Result in Bloodshed in Italy and Sicily.

Rome, Feb. 18.—Carnival festivities have resulted in disorder and bloodshed in Southern Italy and Sicily. Troops and police were obliged to intervene and a score or more persons were wounded. Many arrests have also been made.

At Trall a number of Socialists in masquerade costumes started the trouble by assaulting state institutions and in the fighting which followed several officers and soldiers were wounded. The police then stepped in and as a result the jail at Trall is now full.

At Plaza Armerina, in Sicily, the masquerading brought about a conflict between the members of two local political parties and an attack was made on the city hall. The disorder became so great that troops fired on the people to disperse them. Fourteen of the rioters were wounded. Quiet was then restored.

BOOMING EDWARD C. WALL.

Wisconsin Democrats Urge His Nomination for President.

Milwaukee, Feb. 18.—About seventy-five prominent Democrats from throughout Wisconsin gathered in an executive session at the Plankinton House last night in the interest of the candidacy of Edward C. Wall of this city for the presidential nomination at the St. Louis national convention. Resolutions were adopted proclaiming Mr. Wall to the Democrats of the nation as a worthy leader and urging all Democrats of Wisconsin to join in an effort to have him nominated for president. It was further resolved that an organization be formed embracing every congressional district in the state to promote the candidacy of Mr. Wall throughout the state and nation.

Mr. Wall was formerly national committeeman and state chairman of Wisconsin.

AT DES MOINES MAY 18.

Place and Date of Iowa Republican Convention.

Des Moines, Feb. 18.—Des Moines has been selected for the Republican state convention to be held May 18 for the purpose of selecting delegates to the Republican national convention.

J. S. Irwin of Council Bluffs, said to oppose Governor Cummins on the tariff question, was selected as chairman of the convention. Other members of the various committees are friendly to Cummins.

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Russian Warships Sail.

Copenhagen, Feb. 18.—A dispatch has been received here from Wisby, Island of Gothland, saying that six Russian warships passed the island at 6:15 p. m. going south.

## SAYS JAPAN WILL LOSE

J. W. Bookwalter Claims Russia Is Misunderstood.

ONLY AN OPEN PORT IS WANTED.

Sees England's Hand In Present Movement—If She Allies Herself With Japan, Russia, He Says, Will Arm Hill Tribes In India—England Expects United States Will Take a Hand.

John W. Bookwalter of Ohio, who has traveled extensively in the far east, when asked by a reporter of the New York Tribune for his views on the existing situation there as related to the possible conflict between Russia and Japan, said:

"The present far eastern situation is full of gravely important possibilities and may precipitate consideration of a question of worldwide significance. Should war begin between Russia and Japan, as now seems imminent, other powers will doubtless be involved, and the ultimate result will be a new alignment of the nations of the earth. The question in its broadest sense that may be involved will array the Orientals, who stand for that which is qualitative and sentimental, on one side and the Occidentals, who represent the quantitative, material and commercial, on the other.

"Russia's position is much misunderstood. She has no ambition, primarily, to extend her territory; she has now one-seventh of the land area of the world. The thing she wants and which is an absolute necessity to her in this age of international commerce is an open port, for with all her vast territory she is bottled up. Whether she seeks an outlet through the Black sea, by way of the Persian gulf or through Manchuria or Korea, she is laid open to the charge of seeking to acquire further territory. This is not, however, the fundamental purpose, but is incidental and of secondary moment. Russia is taunted with the fact that she has no commerce, which is of course impossible without access to the sea.

"She has been shut in by the coalition of European powers of which England is the head, and it looks as if the present movement in the far east, undoubtedly inspired by England, aims to perpetuate the same purpose. Russia is said to be less progressive than some of the neighboring powers, but in this connection it should be remembered that for 300 years she was the bulwark that protected all of continental Europe against the invasion of the Tartar hordes, and in doing this she was necessarily weakened and her progress greatly retarded.

"Every step in Russian policy looking to the acquisition of an outlet essential to the upbuilding of her commerce has been accepted by England as a menace either to India or English ambitions in China. The western world looks with covetous eyes upon the millions of possible consumers in China. It is people they want to manipulate for profit. The community of interest between England and the United States is commercialism.

"Russian territory borders on China for about 7,000 miles, and the ethiical sympathy, considered in connection with their close proximity, forbids that they should be natural enemies. The same ethiical relation includes Japan, and if other influences were not at work there would be a speedy settlement of the questions now at issue between Russia and Japan. But it may well be imagined in the light of all the circumstances that England is again at the bottom of the situation. Her reputed desire to promote peace would seem to be wanting in sincerity, and in view of the attitude assumed by England her ancient enemy, Russia, cannot recede. The conflict is inevitable and may soon come.

"Should England openly ally herself to Japan it may be safely predicted that Russia will use the transcaspian road, which, with its branches, now runs very near the Indian border, as a means of transportation for guns and munitions with which to equip the hill tribes of northern India. Of these there are 15,000,000 or 20,000,000, and the whole country could easily be set ablaze. The Himalayas afford a fruitful field for revolt. The whole of India has hitherto been kept under English subjection through the inability of the natives to equip themselves with modern implements of warfare.

"The time was that such equipment could reach the Indians through the seaports, but since England has controlled in India she has so jealously guarded the ports that all equipment for warfare has been excluded from the country. The transcaspian road, over which I traveled for a distance of 2,000 miles, is essentially a military road. Every man employed upon it is a soldier. Projected in a direct line, as it will be extended, it will nearly cross Tibet and will be aimed at the heart of China. It is of greater strategic importance than the transsiberian road. Upon the latter I traveled as the only American passenger on the first through train from Moscow to Irkutsk, a distance of 4,300 miles. Since then the line has been completed its full length of 6,200 miles to Vladivostok.

"I had visited China nearly twenty years ago, and it was to gratify personal curiosity as to exact conditions in central Asia that I made the trip in Russia, extending it into Siberia as far as the road had then been completed.

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